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Application Number	09/919,045
Filing Date	07/31/2001
Inventor(s)	Ramesh NAGARAJAN et al.
Group Art Unit	2633
Examiner Name	Steven Blount
Attorney Docket Number	29250-002077/US

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Remarks

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Date	January 30, 2006				



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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/919,045
Filing Date: July 31, 2001
Applicant: Ramesh NAGARAJAN et al.
Group Art Unit: 2661
Examiner: Steven Blount
Title: MINIMUM CONTENTION, DISTRIBUTED WAVELENGTH
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Randolph Building
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Alexandria, VA 22314
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January 30, 2006

ENTRY OF REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the Final Office Action dated November 28, 2005 ("Final Office Action") and respond as follows.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

	Claims remaining after Amendment		Highest number previously paid for		Present extra
Total	14	-	20	=	0
Independent	4	-	4	=	0